

Oil Field Environmental Incident Summary

Incident: 20160823162146 **Date/Time of Notice:** 08/23/2016 16:21

Responsible Party: SM ENERGY COMPANY

Well Operator: SM ENERGY COMPANY

Well Name: ELKHORN RANCH FEDERAL 19-1

Field Name: ELKHORN RANCH

Well File #: 9492

Date Incident: 8/22/2016 **Time Incident:** 15:30

Facility ID Number:

County: BILLINGS

Twp: 144

Rng: 101

Sec: 19

Qtr: SW SE

Location Description:

Submitted By: Luke Studer

Received By:

Contact Person: Luke Studer
PO BOX 7168
BILLINGS, MT 59103-7168

General Land Use: Well/Facility Site

Affected Medium: Topsoil

Distance Nearest Occupied Building: 2 Mile

Distance Nearest Water Well: 2 Mile

Type of Incident: Other

Release Contained in Dike: No

Reported to NRC: No

	Spilled	Units	Recovered	Units	Followup	Units
Oil	3	Barrels	2	Barrels	1.96	barrels

Brine

Other

Description of Other Released Contaminant:

N/A

Inspected: **Written Report Received:** 10/17/2016 **Clean Up Concluded:** 8/23/2016

Risk Evaluation:

None

Areal Extent:

Potential Environmental Impacts:

None

Action Taken or Planned:

The Forest Service was onsite with SM Energy personnel and the contractor. The contractor has accepted responsibility for the release and associated cleanup.

Wastes Disposal Location: Recovered fluid and contaminated soil to be hauled to an approved disposal.

Agencies Involved: USFS

Updates

Date: 8/23/2016 **Status:** Reviewed - Follow-up Required

Author: Schiermeister, Robin

Updated Oil Volume:

Updated Salt Water Volume:

Updated Other Volume:

Updated Other Contaminant

Notes:

According to the report, the release was not contained. More follow-up is needed.

Date: 8/24/2016 **Status:** Inspection

Author: O'Gorman, Brian

Updated Oil Volume:

Updated Salt Water Volume:

Updated Other Volume:

Updated Other Contaminant

Notes:

Arrived on location at 12:30. 65 degrees F, partly cloudy, northwest wind 15-15 mph. Spoke with the company contact who explained that he had spoken with Carmen Waldo of the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and had been instructed to remove the impacted vegetation and apply a microbial product to aid in the breakdown of the product. Observations showed an impacted area approximately 50 X 200 feet in size on the side slope of the area north of the well pad. No product was pooling or freely flowing, and there were no surface waters near the pad. Photos of the site were taken. USFS retains oversight.